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CONNECTICUT SAT SCHOOL DAY

Frequently Asked Questions for Districts and Schools

When will the Connecticut SAT School Day be administered to grade 11 students?

The three-hour Connecticut SAT School Day will be administered during the school day to all grade 11 public school students on March 21, 2018. Make-ups will be administered on April 24 and 25, 2018. There will be no cost to districts for administration of the Connecticut SAT School Day on these dates. Both the Connecticut State Department of Education and each LEA are legally responsible to administer these assessments to all students. The Connecticut SAT School Day will be used in grade 11 for school and district accountability just like Smarter Balanced in grade 11 during 2014–15 and CAPT in grade 10 prior to that.

What does the Connecticut SAT School Day measure?

The Connecticut SAT has two sections: evidence-based reading and writing and mathematics. The evidence-based reading and writing section includes a reading test and a writing and language test. An independent content alignment study confirmed that in both English language arts and mathematics, the majority of the Connecticut Core Standards have a strong or moderate match to the Connecticut SAT School Day.

What is assessed on the Connecticut SAT School Day?

The Connecticut SAT School Day focuses on the skills and knowledge that evidence

shows are needed most for college and career success. It reflects what students are already learning in their classrooms in mathematics and ELA with literacy focused on topics from science, history, and social studies. The vocabulary portion of the Connecticut SAT School Day will focus on words that students use consistently in college and beyond. Additional information is available at https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/.

Can students use calculators on the Connecticut SAT School Day?

A calculator will be allowed on one of two sections in the redesigned Connecticut SAT School Day Math Test. Please read the College Board's calculator policy for specific information on which calculators can be used on test day.

What will be the score ranges for the SAT?

The Connecticut SAT School Day will be scored on a 400- to 1600-point scale. The evidence-based reading and writing section and the mathematics section will each be scored on a 200- to 800-point scale. There will no longer be a penalty for wrong answers.

Do colleges and universities require an essay?

The College Board has a list of colleges and universities that have established positions on whether they will require the SAT optional essay for admissions.

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What accommodations are students with disabilities and English learner students permitted on the SAT?

Students with an IEP or Section 504 Plan	Used for state accountability system and college admission: Submit request on the SSD website	
	 Abacus American Sign Language (ASL) — test directions only Braille Color Overlay Computer Extra/Extended Breaks Large Print Booklet Magnification Device Modify Setting Multiplication table Noise Buffering 	 Reader Scribe Signed Exact English — test directions and test content Speech-to-Text (CB Assistive Technology) 4 Function Calculator Text-to-Speech for all test content (CB MP3 audio) Time Extension 50% or 100% Examples of common accommodations, the list is not exhaustive
English Learners (EL)	Learners (EL) Used for state accountability system and college admiss	
	No need to submit request on the SSD website	Applicable only for CT SAT School Day: Submit request on the SAA website
	 Written Test Directions in: Albanian; Arabic; Bengali; Bosnian; Cambodian/Khmer; Chinese; French; Gujarati; Haitian Creole; Hindi; Italian; Polish; Portuguese; Russian; Somali; Spanish; Urdu; Vietnamese 	Time Extension — 50% extended time
	 Native Language Reader — test directions only 	
	 Bilingual Dictionary Word-to- Word in: Albanian, Arabic, Bengali, Bosnian, Cambodian/ Khmer, Chinese/Mandarin, French, Gujarati, Haitian Creole, Hindi, Italian, Polish, Portuguese, Russian, Somali, Spanish, Urdu, Vietnamese 	

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What is the process to apply for accommodations for students with disabilities and EL students?

The CSDE is committed to ensuring that students with disabilities and EL students can take the Connecticut SAT School Day with the accommodations they need. All requests for accommodations require entry on the College Board's Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD) website at www.CollegeBoard.org/ssd. To request an SSD Online account, complete the SSD Coordinator Form and fax it to College Board SSD at 866-360-0114. An access code to use with the College Board professional account will be provided. For more information about accessing the account for the first time, see How to Sign Up for SSD Online.

Any accommodations used on the Connecticut SAT School Day must be approved through the College Board SSD process, even when the student receives these accommodations in school. If the College Board has previously approved a student for an accommodation, it is not necessary to reapply unless there has been a change to the student's accommodation needs.

What is the difference between a reportable score and a nonreportable score?

A reportable score may be used to send to colleges for admissions purposes and for state accountability purposes. A nonreportable score may not be used to send to college for admissions purposes and will be used for state accountability purposes only.

Can a student's scores from the Connecticut SAT School Day be reported to colleges?

Students who have an online SAT account can choose which SAT scores to report to colleges, including the Connecticut SAT School Day administration. With the SAT Score Choice feature, students have the option to choose which scores, by test date, to send to colleges. If students do not use Score Choice, all scores will be sent.

Reporting scores to colleges is a process agreed upon by the student/parent and the College Board. Scores will not be reported without express permission of the student/parent.

Students can elect to have their SAT scores canceled by completing the Cancel Scores form immediately after test administration (see College Board website for more info). If canceled, colleges will not receive the scores from that particular administration; however, the state will still receive the scores.

Is there a cost to send Connecticut SAT School Day scores to colleges?

Students will receive four free college score sends when they take the Connecticut SAT. After the test date, there is a cost for sending SAT scores to colleges.

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